

2002 Census of Agriculture House District Profile

District 79, Michigan

Number of farms: 420

Land in farms: 51,865 acres

Average size of farm: 123 acres

Irrigated Land: 10,833 acres

Total number of Farm Operators: 678

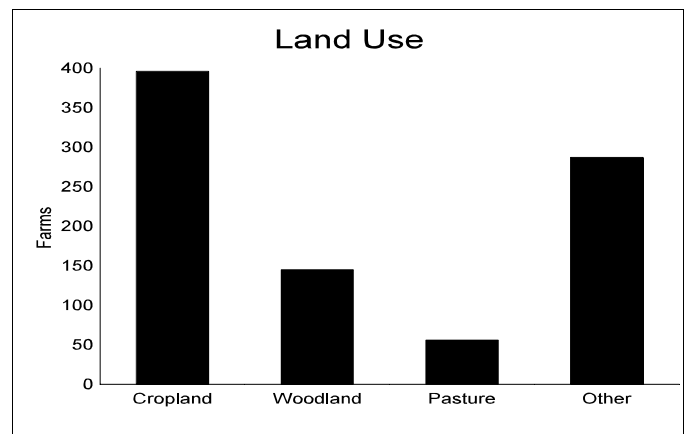
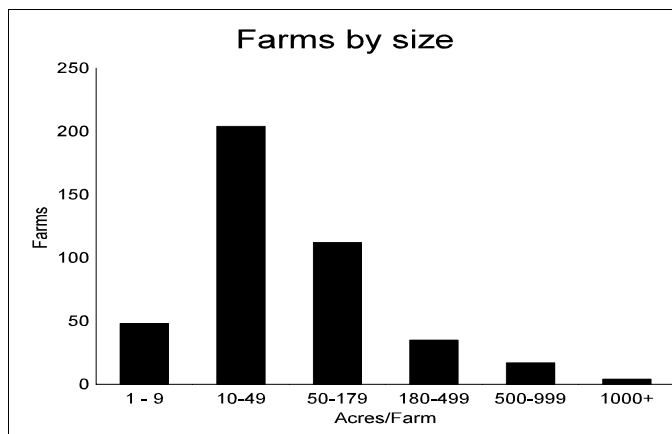
Market Value of Production: \$38,839,000

Market Value of Production, average per farm: \$92,474

Government Payments: \$703,000

Government Payments, average per farm receiving payments: \$7,894

Gross Income from Farm Related Sources ¹: \$1,795,000



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Ranked items among the 110 house districts in the state, 2002

Item	Quantity	State rank	Universe ²
MARKET VALUE OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS SOLD (\$1,000)			
Total value of agricultural products sold	38,839	32	101
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000) ³			
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	4,869	40	83
Tobacco	-	-	-
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-
Vegetables, melons, potatoes and sweet potatoes	19,692	4	78
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	9,341	7	73
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture and sod	3,838	35	93
Cut Christmas trees and other short rotation woody crops	6	63	67
Poultry and eggs	5	61	71
Cattle and calves	184	57	74
Milk and other dairy products from cows	(D)	57	64
Hogs and pigs	39	50	69
Sheep, goats, and their products	11	52	69
Horses, ponies, mules, burros and donkeys	102	56	77
Aquaculture	-	-	32
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)			
Colonies of bees	3,127	10	70
Pigeons	(D)	2	41
Cattle and calves	778	57	76
Horses and ponies	598	53	87
Layers 20 weeks old and older	364	60	72
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)			
Soybeans	10,457	34	76
Corn for grain	10,021	43	74
All Vegetables harvested	5,178	9	78
Grapes	3,551	2	54
Apples	2,192	9	72

Other House District Highlights

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	85	Farming	254
\$1,000 to \$2,499	36	Other	166
\$2,500 to \$4,999	43		
\$5,000 to \$9,999	55	Principal operators by sex:	
\$10,000 to \$19,999	50	Male	382
\$20,000 to \$24,000	19	Female	38
\$25,000 to \$39,999	30		
\$40,000 to \$49,000	12	Average age of principal operator (years)	57
\$50,000 to \$99,999	28		
\$100,000 to \$249,999	28	All operators ⁴ by race	
\$250,000 to \$499,999	18	White	644
\$500,000 or more	16	Black or African American	6
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	35,443	American Indian or Alaskan Native	4
Average per farm (\$)	73,382	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
		Asian	-
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	5,567	More than one race	-
Average per farm (\$)	11,526	All operators ⁴ of Spanish, Hispanic or Latino Origin	8

(D) Cannot be disclosed.

¹Customwork, farm rent, forest products, recreational services, cooperative dividends, animal boarding, tax refunds, etc.

² Universe is number of house districts in state with item.

³ Categories are not comprehensive and will not sum to total.

⁴ Data were collected for a maximum of three operators per farm.